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METRO PICTURES

Metro presents a fine program at the Olympic every Wednesday, featuring a popular actress.

BANKERS OF VALLEY MET TO DISCUSS THIRD LIBERTY LOAN

The bankers of Monessen, Belle Vernon and Webster held a joint meeting in the Foreign department of the Monessen Savings & Trust company for the purpose of planning a campaign for the sale of Liberty bonds covering Rostraver township. A step is being taken to enlist the aid and influence of all the farmers of the township and the meeting was for the purpose of making the preliminary plans. Alfred Tanzer acted as chairman of the meeting, he having received the appointment as local agent by Harry Miller, Federal Reserve agent for this district. Mr. Tanzer will appoint a district chairman for the period of the war to look after Rostraver township.

The bankers made many suggestions for interesting the farmers in the Third Liberty Loan and it was finally determined to start the Township Loan drive off with a banquet at which the farmers will be present. It will be held in honor of the rural people at a local hotel. The time and place will be specified later.

No date has yet been set for the Monessen drive, but it will be some time during the month of April. The organization will be so well in hand that the whole work can be done in a day. The central committee is at work on all of the plans that will make this the most enthusiastic sale of government securities since the start of the war. The township move on the part of the banks will interest hundreds of farmers and will educate them in matters essential to winning the war in a personal contract manner.

STAR THEATRE

TODAY—Belle Bennett in a 7 part Triangle special feature, "Because of a Woman." Full of thrills and romance with a beautiful star.

TUESDAY—Sessue Hayakawa in "The Call of the East. Something finer, more thrilling and sincere than Hayakawa has ever done before

WEDNESDAY—Julian Eltinge, the greatest woman impersonator in the world, who recently appeared in vaudeville at the Davis theatre in Pittsburg, in "The Clever Mrs. Carfax." A great Detective story that's too good to miss.

Coming April 8th—Mary Pickford in "Stella Maris."

NOTICE

Styles in Fashion Park Clothes Which Must Not be Copied.

Our tailors at Fashion Park have secured Government protection for the men's styles designed and developed in their tailor shops.

Official notice is hereby given that offenders will be duly prosecuted.

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Services Well Attended

—Yesterday was a big day in the Christian church. Large crowds attended the two services. Four members were taken into the church, two by baptism and two by statement. The Bible school raised one hundred and twenty dollars for benevolences. The C. W. B. M. held a session in the afternoon and quite a large sum was raised for missions. The young people gave a splendid program in the evening and another large offering was received.

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Police Court This Morning

Nick Bergos of Tenth street, and Wm. Bourigis of Tenth and Schoonmaker, were before Burgess Stewart this morning charged with assault and attempt to rob on Saturday night, the charge being made by Joe Goce and Geo. Nadok. The evidence seemed to point to the fact that the prosecutors were in search of a questionable rooming house along Donner avenue and had made a mistake in the number.

The two men claimed they had been decoyed upstairs at a certain building on Donner, between Fifth and Sixth and that three men attacked them after they got up stairs, one coming out from the dark, one out of bed and the third out of a dark cupboard.

One man claimed he grappled with Wm. Bondigis, the Schoonmaker avenue butcher, and tore his shirt and collar, but a police officer visited William later in his room and found his shirt and collar and tie intact and William sitting quietly in his room reading a book. Gace and Nadok later procured a room at the Grand hotel, where they were later arrested on suspicion and locked up.

The case developed into a case of mistaken identity and location and was dismissed.

John Paidick was in for being drunk and fighting, but his opponent escaped. John was fined $5.00, which he paid from a forfeit.

Winston Barnes was heard on a charge of fighting. He said he was from Virginia and had worked only three days out of three weeks. The burgess in a brief lecture informed Winston he was not in Virginia now, and while he remained in Monessen, he was expected to work or leave town and forget it, and even forget he was from Virginia.

George Morris of First and Don-

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Easter specials—Best ever. This week's program goes "Over the Top," filmdom's leading stars, each and every day.

TODAY—Fox Standard features "The Babes in the Woods," a fairy tale featuring the Fox kiddies. A gorgeous tale of charm and adventure for young and old.

TUESDAY—Douglas Fairbanks, the exponent of the smile, in a rip-roaring comedy. Also Triangle Keystone comedy.

WEDNESDAY—The popular stars, Francis Bushman and Beverly Bayne in a society drama "Under Suspicion." An interesting wonderplay in which these favorites are at their best.

THURSDAY—Goldwyn special, Mabel Normand, the international favorite, appears in a dramatic offering, mingling smiles with heart throbs.

FRIDAY—Fox pictures present a 1918 cinemelodrama "Cheating the Public," a timely and thrilling American story, with an all star cast.

SATURDAY—Select Pictures — Monessen's favorite again, charming Norma Talmadge in a heart interest feature "The Secret of the Storm Country," from the story of the same title. A story of the hardships of an orphan in the storm ridden country.

Fire Destroys Many Barrels of Oil

Woodlawn, Pa., March 31.—Three large tanks, containing several thousand barrels of oil and the local pumping station of the Southwest Pennsylvania Pipe Lines at South Heights near here, were destroyed by fire of undetermined origin this afternoon, entailing a loss estimated at $18,000. Officials of the company are making a thorough investigation of the fire, which broke out shortly after 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The fire originated near the boiler house and rapidly spread to the engine and pump houses. South Heights is without fire protection and the flames leaped high above the buildings, communicating to the oil tanks. The fire burned more than five hours. Telephone wires to Gringo, near South Heights, were put out of commission as a result of the fire.

Threatening Coraopolis Fire

Sparks from a passing locomotive ignited brush near the pumping station of the Canfield Oil Company, in Coraopolis, yesterday afternoon, and for a time it was feared the flames would communicate to three tanks, containing 150,000 barrels of oil. Workmen in the pumping station formed a bucket brigade and prevented the blaze from spreading. An oil pipe leading into one of the tanks became overheated and burst, but the burning oil was quickly extinguished. It was stated that the damage is slight.

E. E. ROBBINS SPEAKS IN BEHALF OF POST OFFICE EMPLOYEES

Washington D. C.—Congressman Edward E. Robbins made Congressman E. E. Robbins made a forceful speech in behalf of an increase in pay for the employes of the post office department when that measure was before the House for consideration. Mr. Robbins' address follows:

"Mr. Chairman, I vote most earnestly, heartily and willingly for this bill. The only objection or criticism I have of it is that it does not grant a sufficient increase of pay to the rural carriers. (Applause.) In western Pennsylvania and through that part of the United States located in that latitude, these carriers must not only have one horse but they must have two horses, and if they have an automobile they must maintain also two horses and wagon, and an automobile. Now, to maintain that sort of equipment, and I have here the statistics from the various carriers throughout the twenty-second district of Pennsylvania showing that it costs them over $50 a month to maintain two horses and vehicle, leaving less than $40 a month upon which to support themselves and their family, so that the Government is not paying these men a sufficient sum to enable them to maintain themselves, educate their children, and live respectably, according to the American standard of living, under this scale of wages.

"This bill is entitled 'A bill granting increased compensation to certain officials, employees and laborers in the Post Office Department and Postal Service.' It deals first with rural carriers, and grants an increase of 15 per cent to all those receiving $1,200 per year or less, and 24 per mile for each mile traveled over 24 miles, which is established as a rural mail route, so that the carrier who serves a route 30 miles in length will receive $1,500 per year hereafter. This is a substantial advance in pay. The suburban carriers are given, in addition to this advance an allowance for the upkeep of their conveyances. There is no reason why such aid should not be given the rural carriers, who have rougher roads and greater distances to contend with and I shall at the proper time move an amendment to this bill, granting an allowance of $25 per month to each rural mail carrier toward paying the cost of the conveyance he must use in his service in carrying the mails. This is right and just and should be granted to these faithful employes of the Government.

The bill also granted an advance to the clerks and all other employes in first and second class post offices. These increases are proper, and when it is remembered that this is the first increase of pay granted since 1907, it will be readily understood for what inadequate pay these employes are now working. The cost of the necessaries of life are now from 100 to 400 per cent higher than they were when their present wage scale was established. The third class offices are not referred to in this bill for the reason that the pay of the employees in post offices of that class

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Retires From Paper Business

With this week's issue of the Westmoreland Patriot, James W. P. Hart, of Jeannette, who has managed and edited the paper for the last year, retires from the newspaper profession to enter the employ of the Pennsylvania Rubber company. Mr. Hart leased the plant of the Jeannette Dispatch from the late Sheriff John H. Trescher, who conducted the paper for 28 years, and changed the name from the Jeannette Dispatch to the Westmoreland Patriot. Mrs. Maud E. Trescher, widow of Sheriff Trescher, who will assume the management April 1, will change the name back to the Jeannette Dispatch.

MONESSEN HIGH TEAM WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

The following statistics show Monessen's claim to the scholastic basket ball championship of Western Pennsylvania:

Monessen—45	Alumni—31
Monessen—47	Donora—12
Monessen—31	Schenley—28
Monessen—28	Point Marion—27
Monessen—40	McKeesport—28
Monessen—51	Monongahela—22
Monessen—49	Waynesburg—30
Monessen—27	Fifth Avenue—17
Monessen—41	Monongahela—21
Monessen—25	Canonsburg—24
Monessen—33	Donora—27
Monessen—33	South High—28
Monessen—35	Point Marion—31
Monessen—34	Washington—21
Monessen—35	Canonsburg—11
Total—554	Opponents—358

Monessen claims the championship on the following points.

1. The team has played a schedule as long and hard as any team in western Pennsylvania.

2. It has maintained a perfect record by winning all of the fifteen games played.

3. The teams on the Monessen schedule cover a wider range of territory than that of any other team in western Pennsylvania.

4. All of the games on the Monessen schedule were handled by high class neutral officials.

5. Among the teams defeated by Monessen, the following are exceptionally strong, (1) Point Marion, two games, champions of Fayette county with a record of sixteen victories; (2) South High, champions of W. P. I. A. L. (3) Canonsburg, two games, who after tying with Charleroi for the championship of Washington county, lost to the same team in the titular game by two points on the Washington floor.

It should be noted that Monessen High defeated Point Marion, Waynesburg and South High without the service of Reed, regular guard, and Canonsburg in the first game without the service of Howard, regular guard.

The fact that Kittanning High challenged Monessen High to a game at Kittanning but refused to play on a neutral floor should also be mentioned. Braddock also refused to play Monessen High on a neutral floor.

(Signed)
Monessen High School
Basket Ball Team.

Bijou Theatre

TODAY—"Circus Man," in five reels, featuring Theodore Roberts, Paramount production. Also Helen Holmes in the last episode of "The Lost Express."

TUESDAY—"Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp," in three reels. "Broken Spring Horse," in 2 reels. "In Clover," one reel comedy.

WEDNESDAY—Wm S. Hart in "The Bad Man from Arizona," in 2 reels. "The Stain," in three reels, and a one reel comedy.

THURSDAY—"The Marriage of Kitty," featuring Fanny Ward, a Paramount production in 5 reels. One reel comedy.

SATURDAY—"See your boy in the trenches," somewhere in France, five reels Paramount production. Mack Sennett comedy, "Bedroom Blunder," in two reels.

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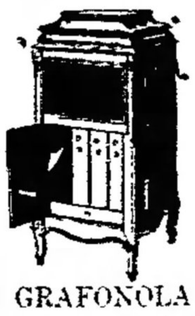

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GAS ATTACKS

On April 22, 1915, the Germans violated all laws of modern warfare by beginning the use of poisonous gases. They triumphantly rejoiced in some initial successes gained in the confusion and surprise following the first attacks. As the war has gone along, the allies have been driven to adopt the same weapon.

They not merely are delivering gas quite as efficiently as the Germans today, but they have better gas masks for meeting it. Under these circumstances, it is not surprising that the Germans quite naturally think the time has come to discard it for "humanitarian" reasons.

Probably the trouble is that the Germans are shy of cotton. The soldier in his gas helmet must breathe He must have purified air. This is accomplished by introducing the air through a pad of thick muslin, treated with anti-asphyxiating solutions of amonia or other drugs. Cut off from cotton supplies, it would not be strange if the Germans were very short on suitable material for making these masks

Unless soldiers are well protected, a gas attack is very deadly. Atmosphere containing one one-thousandth of chlorine is apt to be fatal. But our gas mask factories are turning out a protective device so perfect that the wearer is immune The training camps are urged to give the men plenty of tests in putting on these masks, and going into the gas rooms.

In that way they learn to adjust the masks quickly. A few seconds saved in adjusting the mask will often save them getting seriously gassed. Also the more they walk around in a gas room with the mask on, the more confidence they will feel against this form of German frightfulness.

A COMMUNITY PROPOSITION

The "Community" idea is the slogan of the present times. Our people are beginning to see that they must work together to accomplish large things. Individual achievement does something. But unless there is a team play no kind of organization can get very far.

Some years ago the movement to form Boards of Trade and Business Men's associations spread over the country. Formerly these societies existed only in large cities. But now the advantage of this community work for business is so well recognized that they are found even in very small towns. They have done wonders to organize our commercial forces, and have rendered good service also.

But long before Boards of Trade became common, there was one civic institution right on the job, working every day in the year for town progress. It was constantly trying to unify efforts for civic advance,and was one of the first and most helpful agencies for community work. That institution was the home newspaper

The Independent has always held prominently in view the idea of community spirit. It has felt that the ills from which we all suffer are to a large extent the result of disorganization, and that it is the duty of some force or agency to arouse interest in civic movements. The Independent penetrating into the most of the homes of Monessen is the means by which this community spirit can be aroused. It is the undertone of all our work, and not an issue of our paper is distributed that does not contain some form of co-operation toward community service.

The home newspaper being so vital an institution to the community movement, it follows that the newspaper must be liberally backed up. The more loyal support it has, the more it can do in the community interest, the better it can realize its ideals of community service.

HANDLING THE RESERVE

The German drive once more emphasizes the necessity of having reserves quickly available at whatever point is selected by the foe for his attack. The French and Germans have had a strategic reserve ready for this drive of 1,000,000 men. But they of course did not know where the attack would come. Many experts claimed it would be made near the English channel, with the hope of later invading England.

The reserve had to be concentrated at some point midway along the line where it could quickly be transported in any direction. If these reserves could have gotten to the front sooner, the Britinsh line could not have been forced back as it was. The first retreat of course due to a tremendous artillery fire exceeding anything yet seen in this war. But after that it was accomplished by a sheer force of numbers. It was claimed that the Germans exceeded the British immediately against them by thre or four to one.

It is of course a highly complicated procedure to load a lot of men and munitions into trains and motors and transport them 50 to 100 or more miles. It would seem as if a great fleet of big motor trucks would be the most practical way to handle this proposition. There are of course many thousands of these machines already in use.

But probably the allies need many thousands more. Our government should be looking out that it is providing a great reserve of transportation-equipment for the handling of reserve forces Getting there an hour quicker may mean the winning of an otherwise lost battle.

It would seem also as if a great supply of heavy and light artillery should be kept loaded all the time on railroad cars and trucks ready for instant transportation. Probably if there had been equipment enough of this kind to put the needed reserves immediately in the path of the Hun hordes, 100 guns would have been much less.

SAVING WASTE MATERIAL

A campaign to persuade people to save waste material now thrown away has been started by the National Waste Material Dealers' association. It is claimed that $100,000,000 can be saved

The possibilities of this sort of work are suggested by what has been done on old paper. Up to a few years ago this was largely wasted. Then the cost of [illegible] and fraternal and charitable societies would [illegible] they could earn a good deal of money for their [illegible] interested in

This not merely helped those engaged in enterprises to earn secure funds, but it saved an [illegible] of good paper stock. Had it not been for this, the paper price would have gone much higher than it did. [illegible] program can be worked on all for [illegible] and many other products.

EDITORIALETTES

It won't be possible [illegible] supermen, but we may be able [illegible] manning business is almighty [illegible]

Mayor Hylan of New York [illegible] as indecent. The dancer's salary [illegible] the next morning.

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Folks who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when they arise, splitting headache, stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, an, instead, feel as fresh as a daisy by opening the sluices of the system each morning and flushing out the whole of the internal poisonous stagnant matter

Everyone, whether ailing, sick or well, should, each morning, before breakfast, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to wash from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins, thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach. The action of hot water and limestone phosphate on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast While you are enjoying your breakfast the water and phosphate is quietly extracting a large volume of water from the blood and getting ready for a thorough flushing of all the inside organs

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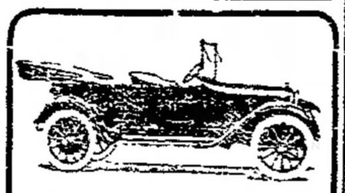

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Shipbuilders Must Be Helped To Win War

Washington, D. C, March. 30—There is one sure way of losing the war—and our business executives hold the power that can prevent its fulfillment, says Edward A Filene, chairman of the war shipping committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

If there is one chance in one hundred that we shall be short of ships in the next six months, then all our country's resources in men, all our country's resources in material, and all our country's resources in aiding, must go first of all to helping to turn out more ships, because ships are the bridge over which every soldier we train, every gun we make, every bit of food we save, every supply needed to win this war, must go before they can be used.

The key to the whole ship question is that the business men of the country must know the need for ships; and that they be educated to the idea of ships; that they be organized to force and further the building of ships; and that they become, when so organized, the medium through which things will get done in their several communities, is the statestatement made by Edward A. Filene, chairman of the war shipping committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce

There can be no question of their willingness to help. The most insistent inquiry that comes to Washington is "How Can I Help? What can I do?) Show me the Way."

The answer comes from the War Shipping Committee of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. It calls on every business organization in the country—particularly the munities—to organize for the carrying out of a well defined program for local action.

It calls on them to sit in with the shipbuilders once a week, and actually go over their problems, to find out just how they can help. It is not at all the same thing as making a general blanket offer to help, and then sitting back to await the call That has been tried, and it has failed. The need is for active and continued counsel through which the business men of the community seek, without officious interference, to relieve the shipbuilder of as many of his nontechnical problems as he needs to be relieved of

For example, the traffic expert of a business association can be of great assistance to shipbuilders in getting materials for their work if he be free to give huch help and makes it his first duty to do so.

Of capital imprtance is the question of carrying workmen to and from their work The carlines in many communities are unable to meet the extra load which the influx of thousands of workers has put upon them Some communities have had to solve the problem by changing the local business schedule by opening stores and offices a half hour later in order to have two peak loads and so give the workmen a rush hour of their own each morning.

It may even mean that the large city business organizations must requisition the services of owners of private automobiles to carry men to and from their work. Think of the opportunity there for the shipbuilding community whose business men are organized for action. Think of what it would mean if this were regularly done; and if the workmen of the plant saw daily a string of hundreds of automobiles, from flivers to the finest made, waiting to carry them at considerable sacrifice and inconvenience, so that they might do their work for the nation to the best advantage. Can one imagine such workmen striking, or delaying ships, or refusing to adjust their differences with their employers through established boards of arbitration?

The housing problem is one of the most serious we have to face. Cantonments and houses will be built. The government has just appropriated $50,000,000 for that purpose. But they will not be ready in less than six months; and we cannot wait. Here again the organized business men of the community must solve the local problem; and they must see to it that the citizens of their community, regardless of questions of personal convenience, shall take these workmen into their private homes till other accommodations are ready. Care should be taken, of course, to make careful choice of the right man for the right home. Indiscriminate distribution of men thru all classes of homes would be unnecessary. But the fact remains that the thing must be done, whether or no, and done at once.

Every shipbuilding community should adopt a definite policy of recognition in its relations with ship workers The contribution of private automobiles is one phase of that. Another may be found in a plan which is now being worked on by the War Shipping Committee, provided that ship workers, wearing the official ship workers badge, be admitted to moving picture shows and other places of amusement at a reduced price of admission. It is not merely a question of difference in price. It is the clear implication that goes with it that the community honors and appreciates the ship workers as it honors and appreciates the soldier. And of course there are other ways in which such recognition can be given.

The Chamber of Commerce of the United States, for instance, has asked a special bronze badge for shipbuilders, which has been officially approved by the Shipping board These badges are a mark of honor, and they are issued under friendly prescribed conditions. If a man leaves the yards, he surrenders his badge. If he remains on the work till the end, it is his for all time The idea of the badge has taken strongly. More than 125,000 badges have already been issued, and the call for them continues. It is striking evidence of how the men engaged in this trying task react to recognition. A policeman or fireman, for example, can, by virtue of his badge ride on any street car without paying a fare. It is a recognition given for clearly defined reasons. His badge carries with it a certain meaning and a certain authority. The principle is the same, though the application may be different.

"I have in mind several incidents that will serve to leave a concrete impression of this fact in the readers' mind," said Mr. Filene.

"On a recent trip to a shipbuilding city in the south I saw a new ship that had been lying idle at a certain gulf port because it had no anchor

Camps to House Farm Workers

Forty standardized farm camps to house 960 schoolboy farm workers will be established in a short time by the Pennsylvania Committee of Public Safety. Necessary tents, equipment and uniforms for the farm volunteers are immediately available

These are camps for boys who will work out by the day on surrounding farms Large instruction camps thru which thousands of boys will be passed, after preliminary training, direct to the farms are also projected

The Committee's farm camp plan has been greatly facilitated by the cooperation of Adjutant General Beary, who has placed the resources of the State Arsenal at the Committee's disposal. Splendid canvas, camp equipment and uniforms, formerly used by the National Guard will be furnished

The state has 5,000 khaki uniforms 100 sleeping tents, cook-stoves, officers' tents, mess tents and other equipment of a slightly obsolete type which are splendidly adapted for farm camp purposes.

Arrangements for equipping 40 standard camps were made at a recent conference between Adjutant General Beary, Col. Lewis E. Beitler, Secretary of the Committee, and Dr Henry V Gummere, in charge of farm camp organization. Each camp will include 16 tents, 12 of them being 7x7 wall tents, housing two boys; the others being leaders', mess, cook and supply tents. Three gasoline flare lamps for illuminating purposes and one military cook-stove will also be furnished to each camp

Knock-down mess tables will be made by Manual training school pupils after designs furnished by the will be made by High school girls The state Arsenal will supply national flags.

Each boy will be provided free of charge with a khaki uniform and one pair of canvass working trousers these being loaned for the period of service Volunteers will be required to provide only their shirts, hats and leggings There will be 24 boys, a leader and cook at each camp. The Committee's appropriation will take care of the expense of securing the tents and equipment Mess equipment and cots will be purchased by the Committee through the Adjutant General's office at special rates As standard equipment will be obtained it can be turned back to the state when no longer needed.

A number of camp sites in various parts of the state are being given consideration. Boys now enrolling in the U S. Boys' Working Reserve will be eligible for placement. The Camps will be erected and conducted on a military basis and under Y. M C A Supervision.

Arrested for Robbery

Frank Shebath and Harry Craft, who are said to hail from Belle Vernin and who were arrested in Charleroi about ten days ago for the robbery and assault on Nick Gerber, in North Charleroi about two weeks ago, when a gold watch and a sum of money were taken from the prosecutor, entered pleas of guilty in the criminal court at Washington before Judge Brownson. They were each fined $1 and costs and sentenced to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for six months

The stories of the contending parties differed somewhat, the defendants claiming the quarrel between the men was because of a difference between Gerber and Shebath as to who paid for the drinks at a Charleroi hotel on the night of the assault. Shebath claimed to have paid for the refreshments and that he was attempting to get back the money he had paid out on account of the drinks for Gerber. However, there appeared to be no explanation why all of the prosecutor's money was taken, amounting to about $30 nor why a gold watch was missing from Gerber's person, which was found later in Charleroi Judge Brownson evidently took the tale of the defendants with considerable allowance and imposed a penalty of imprisonment which will keep them under cover until next fall.

County Press Association Met

At a recent meeting of the Westmoreland County Press Association, I. M. Graham, editor of the Ligonier Echo, was elected for the ninth time as president of the association S.J. Humphries, editor of the Bolivar News, was elected secretary. The treasurer of the association is John C Laughead of Jeannette.

Squire Graham has been president of the Westmoreland County Press association since it was first organized He and Mr Humphries are the two oldest editors in the country. They have had much to do with bringing the editors of the county together into a weekly newspaper organization that has helped to standardize the business

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Aren't the master workmen of the wet goods establishments easy marks? That is what the gentry who live by their wits are asking each other. They know that the proprietor of a wet goods establishment loses his mental balance and is completely disarmed when he is invited to have a drink. Recently two husky-looking individuals entered a Forty-second street suds emporium. One of the party carried an enormous bundle, which he placed on the top of the mahogany. They both called for a drink.

"Well, it is hopeful that my wife will stop her nagging about the cold weather and being cold when I carry this home," said the man who carried the bundle.

At the end of the bar stood the proprietor of the wet goods establishment. He seemed curious, so the two men invited him to have a drink, which was accepted. One of them explained that he had the finest pair of wool blankets that was ever sheared from the backs of sheep in the package.

"Feel for yourself," he said, as he unfastened one end of the bundle.

The proprietor felt and acknowledged that they were the simon pure wool article.

"I'm taking them home to my wife," said the owner. "She has been kicking about being cold."

Then they had another round of liquids.

"Well, I must be on my way," said the man, as he picked up the bundle.

"Why don't you leave them here until you start for home?" interposed his companion.

"Good idea," he said. And turning to the owner of the cafe he asked if he could leave the bundle.

"Sure," said the proprietor, "but you had better write your name on it to avoid any mistake."

Twelve o'clock came around and the man hadn't called for his bundle. "I can see that fellow getting more h—l when he goes home tonight," said the proprietor as he turned the key in the door.

The next day the owner of the cafe was the first on the job. He took a survey of the wet goods and then went to the rear of the store, where the safe was. Here was a surprise for him. He found the door of his burglar-proof safe neatly reposing on the pair of downy blankets, which had been used to muffle the sound of the explosion.—New York Times.

Maritime Miscellany.

One of the minor and yet exceedingly important articles entering into the construction of a wooden ship is the "knee." A ship knee is a right-angled wooden brace used to give strength to the framing and is fashioned from the natural crook of a tree formed by a heavy, shallow, horizontal root and a section of the trunk. Knees when finished are sometimes as much as six or seven feet high and many of them are four feet high. The tremendous impetus to wooden shipbuilding brought about by the war has resulted in the establishment of a sawmill at Portland, Ore., designed exclusively for the finishing of ship knees. The timber preferred is second-growth Douglas fir, found growing in shallow soil, so that the roots turn off at right angles to the trunk and thus give the proper shape. A tract of timber that will produce five to seven knees per acre is considered a good location for a camp. The standardized wooden ship requires some two hundred knees of all sizes, while another type of wooden ship, also under construction, requires more than one hundred and sixty knees. In addition to the production of knees by the special sawmill at Portland, various operators are also getting out knees by the old-fashioned method of hand hewing in the woods.—National Lumber Manufacturers' Association.

Food—After the War.

Whatever other blessings peace may bring it will not bring instant relief to the masses who are now distressed by food shortage and its natural consequences, high prices. There will be as many mouths to feed when the armies are demobilized as there are now. It is true that the fare of the soldiers in most European countries is more liberal than that of the civil population, but no statesman will take comfort in the prospect of masses of disbanded soldiers reduced to the level of civil undernourishment. And besides, the civil populations that are now enduring semistarvation uncomplainingly, recognizing that no relief can be expected while the energies of their government are engrossed by war, will be far less patient when peace returns. More food, not less, will be required in peace.—The New Republic.

Beautiful Surgeons.

"The girls of India make the finest surgeons in the world," according to Dr. Mary Riggs Noble of Colorado, recently returned from India, where she has been professor of surgery in the woman's medical college of Ludhiana. Doctor Noble is giving a course of lectures in Kansas City on "Patriotism and the Woman," particularly the young woman.

"The tremendous need for doctors in India," said Doctor Noble, "has helped to produce them, for the veiled women of the East will not have man physicians to attend them, and many have died rather than be treated by a man. During the awful plague that raged in one of their cities a few years ago ten thousand women lost their lives because of the lack of woman physicians and nurses to attend them.

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But there is no justification for that instant desire to get off and walk, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. We need not worry about what will happen when our speedy little sphere reaches its present destination. It will be our descendants of 180,000,000 years hence that will be yelling for a transfer to some other line. And even when that time comes there is a possibility that Vega will have sidestepped or ducked, so we can whiz right by.

So. S. L. Boothroyd, associate professor of astronomy at the University of Washington, told a large audience of men and women recently, in a lecture on "The Nebulae of the Stars."

The eclipse of the sun, which will be almost complete in Seattle on June 8 next, will be one of the most remarkable sights ever permitted man to see, declared Professor Boothroyd. The astronomers, with powerful telescopes, can witness an eclipse every 58 hours, if they wish to. The star Algol, which is a huge sun, and is located in the northern heavens at this time of the year, in the sword hand of Perseus, is eclipsed every 58 hours by a dark star that passes between it and the earth. This accounts, says Professor Boothroyd, for the fact that Algol will gradually grow dim, and then, within a few minutes, flash up brightly again.

New worlds and suns are in process of creation in the heavenly nebulae, said Professor Boothroyd. The rarefied gases composing the nebulae, and which consist of atomic particles less complex than the atoms of iron and mercury on our sphere, are gradually becoming more dense. After countless ages they become solid planets, or some cataclysm of the heavens may so heat the particles composing them that they become suns.

American Commander Praised.

Through its ambassador to this country the British government has just conferred exceptional honors upon the commander of a United States navy vessel operating in foreign waters. For service in an encounter with a German submarine the British admiralty has recommended the decoration of the Distinguished Service order for Lieut. Com. George F. Neal, U. S. N., who was in charge of an American destroyer. This ship was one of a number escorting transports through the war zone when the quartermaster sighted the wake of a periscope, 1,800 yards distant. General quarters were sounded and the commanding officer at once began to maneuver with the enemy. He immediately shot his ship head on at the U-boat. Getting ahead of the periscope he ordered a depth charge dropped. Nothing more was seen of the submarine and it was evident that her damage had been serious. The British admiralty credits the success of the destroyer to the alertness of the commander and the manner in which he handled the attack. Lieutenant Commander Neal is a native of Tennessee. He graduated from the naval academy in 1897. Under the laws of this country officers are not allowed to receive decorations from foreign powers.

Incombustible Celluloid in Japan.

About a year ago a considerable amount of interest was aroused in the United States by the announcement that a professor in one of the Japanese universities had invented a successful incombustible substitute for celluloid, to be manufactured from soy bean cake. At the time it was not found practicable to secure any more definite information with regard to the project, but recently further data have been received by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. The new product has been given the trade name of "satolit," derived from the name of the inventor, Prof. S. Sato, and a company for its manufacture has been started with a capital of 2,000,000 yen ($1,000,000). Satolite is a galalith made of the glucine of soy bean, coagulated by formaline. It is said to be produced much more cheaply than ordinary celluloid, and to have several advantages for industrial use not possessed by the latter. The factory is to be built in the Kukojima district in Tokyo, and the actual production will begin this autumn.—Commerce Reports.

Giants of the Sky.

The largest warplanes are the bomb-dropping machines. They must be capable of carrying heavy loads of explosives. They are usually slow machines, speed being sacrificed to carrying capacity. The Italians have specialized in big bomb machines. The huge Caproni airplanes carry three men and three guns, besides 2,750 pounds of explosives. That makes a useful load of 4,000 pounds. The machine is driven by three engines with a total of 900 horse power. Such enormous machines are rather exceptional, however. Bombing machines are usually convoyed by fast fighting planes, and do not have to defend themselves from attack in the air. Often bombing raids are made at night, and the big Italian machines are provided with "searchlight bombs" to enable them to locate important spots on the ground beneath. These are brilliant magnesium torches suspended from parachutes, so that they fall slowly and give a broad illumination, while the airplane itself is shielded from the light by the parachute.—St. Nicholas.

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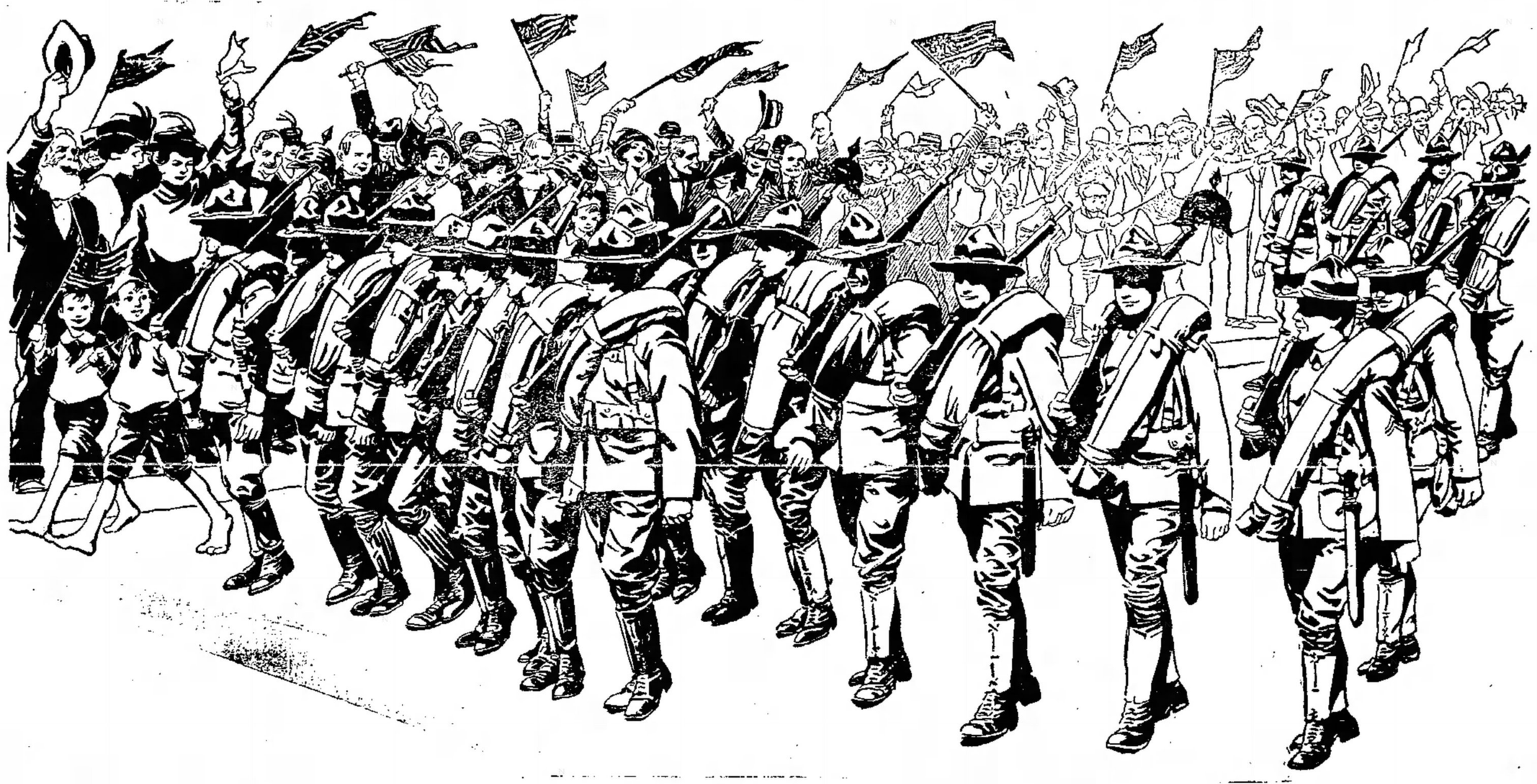

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Our boys, the boys from this town and this county and this state, are fighting the Huns. They are in the trenches in France, they are sailing the U-boat-infested seas, they are going "over the top" in the face of German cannon and machine gun fire.

Many, many more of our boys are now training and will soon be in France, and more are yet to be called.

And, remember, these are our boys; those who are near and dear to us. They are doing their ALL. They are giving their ALL. They are prepared to make the extreme sacrifice that our homes, our town, our nation, may escape the ravages of the Hun.

We want them—one and all—to come back to us—

Will You Help to Bring Them Back?

Will you help to provide them with the things they need, with clothes and food and munitions, that they may complete as quickly as possible the terrible task assigned to them?

Will you support our boys while they are fighting for us, fighting the German autocracy that seeks to destroy our ideals of liberty and justice?

Compared to their heroic sacrifice our part is but small—that of providing the funds to keep them equipped; to build and man the ships that will transport their food, their clothes, their guns and their ammunition, and to pay for these things.

Yes, we, the people of this community, will support our boys.

We will do it by buying bonds of the Third Liberty Loan; by buying all these bonds we can; by making such sacrifices as are necessary to do this. That will be our support for Our Boys.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS INSTALLING HEATING SYSTEMS

Sealed proposals will be received for installing a hot water system in the rectory and the church building in course of construction for St Cyril & Methodious Congregation of Monessen, until 5 o'clock p. m., April 17th, 1918. Drawings and specifications may be secured from the office of the architects. Proposals are to be delivered to the office of J. A. Lohman & Son, Donner avenue and Sixth street, Monessen, Pa. The committee reserves the right to reject any and all proposals submitted.

Rev. V. Levkanich, Pastor.
John Bezuska, Chairman.
52-10t J. A. Lohman & Son, Archts

Want Column

WANTED—Furnished room by an unmarried person, references given Address "R," Independent office 5-2tp

WANTED—Woman with 3 year old child wants position for general housework in small family in Monessen or vicinity. Mrs. Bessie Steiner, Lock Four, Pa. 55-3tp

FOR SALE—Domestic sewing machine; 448 McKee avenue. 55-3tp

LOST—An enameled Masonic pin, shape of slipper. Leave at Kirk's drug store and get reward. 54-3tp

FOR RENT—Two light housekeeping rooms; call phone 334-J, Belle Vernon, Vine & Spear St. 53-3t

WANTED—Girl for general housework; apply 404 McKee. 52-tf

WANTED—Two or three furnished rooms for light housekeeping by young couple. Must be clean and light. Address M, Daily Independent. 51-3tp

WANTED—Woman to work two or three days a week; 410 Donner avenue. 55-3tp

LOST—Saturday evening, small gold watch (the Geb), blue face, in a leather wrist strap Reward if returned to Dr. G. T. Carnelius, 410 Donner avenue. 55-3tp

WANTED—Salesladies; apply F W. Woolworth Co, Donner avenue. 1t

FOR RENT—Large furnished room for light housekeeping; also sleeping room. 817 Schoonmaker avenue. 1tp

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room, suitable for one or two gentlemen; 625 Reed avenue or phone 195-W. 49-tf

FARMS FOR SALE

116 acres good, rolling ground, springs, nice orchard, vineyard, berry patches, two upper veins of coal, a 4-foot and 8-9 foot vein. Brick house of six rooms, good barn and all kinds of outhouses. Also stock and implements, 3 horses, 2 colts, 2 mares, 14 cows. Stock, implements and machinery worth $3,000. Price for the land and coal $17,000. Located near Perryopolis, Pa.

Also farms near Elizabeth, Pa., and in Beaver county. Farms from 15 acres to 115 acres in Fayette county. Many bargains. Now is the time to buy a farm.

43-tf ASK FRANK BUMER.

The Milanese HAT

has just arrived. This hat is made right in MILANO, ITALY, so this gives you sufficient understanding that it is an imported item.

Mr. Ansaldo, owner, personally states that he uses the highest grade of Felts and Colors in order to make it the Enemy of Water, or the Mistreater of an Article.

No matter how many different Now Ways you see a Hat worn, the high grade quality of Felt that's in it will give that pleasure to shape it accordingly to ways worn, and back in its normal, without any effect on the Felt. You will see no wrinkles on it as long as you own it. The water can not run it out of shape When you happen to be caught in the rain and dry it, imagine your hands are the Blocks; talk to it, and it will obey, because it understands.

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ORGANIZE TO FIGHT

Baboons Make War Very Much as Do Human Beings.

Ample Proof That Intelligent Beasts Recognize the Value of Co-operation—Also Capable of Self-Sacrifice in Aiding the Young.

If we are to credit the testimony on the subject offered by naturalists, man is not the only animal who carries on his warfare by means of organized bands, and calls in the forces of nature to assist him. There have been witnessed in Africa fights that were conducted in as orderly a manner as if the warriors had been really men, instead of only somewhat like them in form, i. e. baboons.

One naturalist was stoned out of a pass in a very few minutes by these creatures, who sprang upon ledges and stones, looked down for a few moments on the valley, growling, snarling and screaming, and then began to roll down stones with so much vigor and adroitness that the intruders took to flight. The baboons evidently knew the value of co-operation, for the naturalist saw two of them combine their efforts in order to set a particularly heavy stone rolling. One monkey, bent on making the most of his missile, was seen to carry a stone up a tree, that he might hurl it with greater force.

Once, while some baboons were crossing a valley, they were attacked by dogs, and, as is usual during a march, the females and young were in the center, the males heading the column and bringing up in the rear. As the dogs rushed upon them the males turned and faced their enemies, growling, beating the ground with their hands, and opening their mouths wide, so as to show their glittering teeth. They looked so fierce and malignant that the dogs—Arab greyhounds, accustomed to fight successfully with hyenas and other beasts of prey—shrunk back. By the time they had been encouraged to renew the attack, the whole herd had made their way, covered by the rear guard, to the rocks, one six-month-old monkey excepted.

This little monkey sat on a rock surrounded by the dogs; but he was not long left in his perilous position. An old baboon stepped from a cleft near by, advanced toward the dogs, keeping them in check by threatening gestures and sounds, picked up the baby monkey, and carried it to a place of safety on the cliff, while the whole crowd of baboons watched the act of heroism and shouted their battle cry.

Peanuts Up a Peg.

Until recently the peanut was regarded as a casual—one might almost say sportive—article of provender. It has been looked upon as appropriate to the small boy and the circus. The "peanut gallery," though but a memory to the present generation, is a not-forgoten term for the cheap seats at the top of a theater.

But now it is different. The long-despised peanut is coming into its own. It has the emphatic indorsement of Mr. Hoover. Our people are advised to eat peanuts.

You see, the peanut is not a nut at all, properly speaking. It is a kind of pea; and, like other legumes, it is rich in tissue-making stuff. A paper bag of peanuts (even nowadays, when somewhat reduced in size) affords a fairly square meal.

The peanut, however, may be utilized to advantage in cookery—for soup, for "peanut loaf," and in other ways. If you want the recipes, you can get them from the food administration at Washington.

Thought He Was "Setting 'Em Up."

A young Topeka army officer, now in France, was seized while in Paris with a desire to send his sister a present, and finally decided on a waist, says the Kansas City Star. He entered a fashionable shop and selected a waist but not knowing the size his sister required, singled out a pretty Parisian clerk who looked about his sister's size, and asked her to try the waist on. When she returned the fit was pronounced perfect, and the young officer nodded approvingly and paid the cashier. As he turned back to claim the article, the clerk flew into his arms and kissed him again and again, exclaiming, "Thank you, thank you." All the other clerks in the store then caught the idea that the handsome young American was "setting them up" generally to girls who wanted new waists, and begged him to buy for them also. The officer finally executed a retreat in some manner or other, but the sister in Topeka has not yet received any present.

Her Horrible Suspicion.

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General Cleaning

ANY PERSON WISHING CLEANING DONE, CAN PHONE ME AT MY HOME ANY TIME After 12 O'CLOCK NOON AND THE BUSINESS WILL BE GIVEN PROMPT ATTENTION

Alex Pangburn

Phone 183-R

LOCAL NOTES

—Roy McShaffrey spent the day in Pittsburgh on business.

—Miss Grace Reeder spent Sunday with friends in Brownsville.

—Miss Mary King visited with friends in Pittsburgh yesterday.

Misses Hannah Boddice and Mary McVay spent Sunday in Charleroi.

—Harold Haddock spent the week end at his home in Connellsville.

—James Danvers of Braddock, was a visitor in town last evening.

—Miss Helen Piersol of Bentleyville is visiting friends in Monessen.

—Miss Mellie Venneri is home from Indiana Normal on a short vacation.

—Miss Ruth Lermann is home from Allegheny college for the Easter vacation.

Miss Ada Elliott of Carmichaels, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Rhoda Armstrong.

—Miss Hattie Penman of Elizabeth, was all over Sunday visitor with friends in town.

—Miss Ethel Powney, a student at Allegheny college, is home on a short Easter vacation.

—Miss Pancost, of the Page mill office force, visited yesterday at her home in Elizabeth.

—Joseph Trenscoe and John Banniek of McKeesport, were week end visitors with friends in Monessen.

—Miss Hattie Williams returned this morning to her studies at California Normal, after a short visit here.

—Edward Fenton returned to his home in New Castle this afternoon after a visit with Monessen friends.

—Mary Pickford at the STAR next Monday in "Stella Maris," a Vitagraph production. 55-6t

—Mr. and Mrs. Louis McCallister have received word of the safe arrival in France of their son, Joseph.

—The Woman's Guild of the Episcopal church will meet in the church room tomorrow afternoon at 2:30. All members are urged to be present. 1t

—Miss Martha Griffith, who is attending school at the University of Pittsburgh, is spending a few days at the home of her parents on McKee avenue.

—The Ladies of the A. L. H. of Donora, will hold a dance Wednesday evening, April 3rd in the First National bank hall. All persons cordially invited. McCopa's orchestra of Monessen, will furnish the music. Admission 50 cents. 55-3t

—Leslie George Dean, the 14-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Dean, of 88 Grant avenue, died this morning, combination of crop and measles. Funeral services at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Interment in Belle Vernon cemetery.

—When you are overworked, feel listless or languid, or when you can't sleep or eat, better take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, livens you up, purifies the blood, soothes and regulates the stomach, makes you eat and sleep. A real Spring Medicine, 35c. Tea or Tablets.—Craig's Drug Store. 55-tf

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peck and children and Miss Juanita Austin of Uniontown, motored to Monessen yesterday and visited with the latter's grandmother, Mrs. Wm. Austin of Sixth street. Mrs. Austin also had as her house guests over Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Fishel of Canton, O. Mrs. Fishel will remain with her mother for some time.

—You must clean the stomach and bowels, purify the blood each spring, or you leave winter's germs and impurities in your blood and system. Drive them away, clean out the stomach and bowels—take Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea, a Spring cleanser-purifier, 35c. Tea or Tablets.—Craig's drug store. 55-tf

NOTICE

The Volunteer fire department is requested to be present at a special meeting tomorrow evening at eight o'clock at the borough building.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals will be received for the superstructure for a church building for St. Cyril & Methodious Congregation of Monessen, Pa., until 5 o'clock p. m., April 23rd, 1918. Drawings and specifications may be secured from the office of the architects. Proposals are to be delivered to the office of J. A. Lohman & Son, Donner avenue and Sixth street, Monessen, Pa. The committee reserves the right to reject any and all proposals submitted.

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ROBBINS SPEAKS

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is left entirely by existing law in the hands of the Postmaster General, and it is fair to assume that he will fix the compensation of all these employes on relatively the same basis that this bill fixes the employes of the second class offices.

The bill establishes an eight-hour day for all employes in the Postal Service. This is a great and substantial benefit to those now overworked public servants. Fourth class postmasters are by this bill given all cancellations up to $100 per quarter or at least $100 per year when the cancellations equal that sum. A very proper recompense for this class of postal employes, who not only do all the work but furnish the building, together with light and heat free to the Government.

"Another very just provision of this bill is that contained in section 4, which allows the Postmaster General to relieve star route and screen wagon carriers from the hardship of contracts entered into before prices advanced, which now render further compliance with their contracts impossible without great financial loss. I know men in my district, Mr. Chairman, who will be bankrupt unless the relief here given can be invoked. As well might we expect a man to pay rent on a house that had burned down as to carry out a contract made in 1914 on the basis of the prices then prevailing. This Government is not unjust It does not ask for the 'pound of flesh.'

"There is noe great omission, however, in this legislation. The Postmaster General, in his annual report page 25, in referring to the act of 1917, which establishes a new system of accounting, whereby the accounts of the small offices are all kept in the larger ones, instead of in the department at Washington says:

"'Under this statute the smaller post offices, known as the district offices, now obtain their postage stamps, and supplies and render their accounts through a central accounting postmaster in each county.'

"This is a new feature. An entire change. A vast amount of additional work is, by this method, imposed on the postmasters of the county-seat post offices. No provision is made to pay for this new work. The already overworked postmasters of these accounting offices must do all this work and keep all these accounts without any pay therefor. This is unfair and unjust. I would like to know whether there is a reduction in the force here in Washington by reason of this shift of work? There are in Westmoreland county 114 postoffices and 53 rural routes and Butler county, Pa., 46 post offices and 62 rural routes —in 1916—in my congressional district. Yet the postmasters at Greensburg, Pa., and Butler, Pa., must keep the accounts with these offices without any extra pay for the services rendered.

This is an unjust burden and I shall try to amend this bill to correct this wrong. If the office is now self-sustaining and indeed profitable, as the Postmaster General claims it is, why continue these pinching economies and unfair practices? Let us aim gentlemen, by this law to do justice to all the employes of the great post office service wherever found or in whatever capacity they serve.

The post office is the great educational branch of our government. The daily visit of the citizen to the post office or the coming of the rural carrier to his door is about the only evidence he has in a tangible way of the benefits of the government.

"May we not fondly hope that our postal department may hereafter be regarded by our citizens not only as a dispenser of knowledge but as a great public institution that treats equitably, justly and liberally its faithful employes from the humblest to the highest alike.

Big Businees Reported for the Nash Car

—Curry and Dougherty, the progressive agents for the Nash and Chevrolet cars, report a busy season thus far. Two fifty horse power Nash cars have been delivered this week to Messrs. Ernest Pilett of Knox avenue and Die Lewis. Messrs. John Ashton and Berger Smith have purchased similar machines from the same agency. Mr. John Sanoro and I. Henderson have purchased Chevrolets. Indications are that more machines will be sold by this agency than it will be able to make delivery on.

CARD OF THANKS

The chairman of the Willing Workers club, Mr. C. B. Hobson wishes to thank the public in general for its patronage at the musical concert given in the Mt. Olive Baptist church, March 25th, under direction of Mr. H. Poindexter, chorister of the choir. We realized $52.15, leaving a balance after expense $40.15. 1tp

Facts About Prolific Fish.

The cod is estimated to yield 4,000,000 eggs each season. As many as eight, nine, and even nine and a half million eggs have been found in the roe of a single cod. An eel was caught in Scotland some years ago which was 52 inches long and weighed about two pounds. The ovary was about 12 inches long as it lay in the fish, but when opened out it was nearly 30 inches in length, and it was calculated that this contained upward of 10,000,000 eggs, rivaling, if not surpassing, the cod in this respect.

Seal Used on Our Paper Money.

A relic of the revolutionary days when we were not yet a nation still remains on our paper money, says the Popular Science Monthly. The seal which appears on every bill issued by the government contains the abbreviated words "Thesaur. Amer. Septent Sigil." The full phrase is "Thesaurl Americana Septentrionalis Sigillum," which simply means "Seal of the Treasury of North America." Our distinguished ancestors felt that if a thing were to be said with dignity, it had to be said in Latin.

Peoples Forum

This paper is not responsible for any opinions or statements expressed in this column. It is dedicated to those who wish to make statements on public questions and on matters of general interest.

Editor Daily Independent:—

I saw an article in the Independent a few days ago apropos of raising hogs within the borough limits. Since that time I have heard no remarks on the suggestion, and feel that it is too vital a subject to pass without a comment. In view of the unprecedented demand for foodstuffs of every description, and meats in particular, all encouragement should be given any who desire to take advantage of this method of aiding our allies in this struggle for Democracy. With proper sanitary measures provided and enforced, hogs may be raised and cared for within the city limits with the same success that horses, cows or even chickens are kept; with a slight advantage (if anything) in favor of the hog, for if there had been several hogs kept throughout the borough during the past several months, much of the table refuse and garbage which has been lying in the alleys and back yards of Monessen since early winter would long ago have been converted into pork.

Although every true American may do everything in his power to assist in food conservation, by direction of the U. S. food administration; in spite of all effort there must be much waste as is evidenced by the overflowing garbage cans and back yards, and no better use could be found for this table refuse, nor no easier method of disposing of it than by making a palatable swill of all such, before decomposition of course, and feeding it to the swine, aiding at the same time in the solution of the garbage disposal problem in Monessen.

I really think it would be a credit to Monessen, to grant the privilege to the citizens of raising hogs at least for the duration of the war.

Conservator.

Editor Daily Independent.

In Friday night's paper, "Merchant" had an article pertaining to the concert given for the Red Cross, and I agree with him on the subject on which he wrote, but regret to say that when I went to see several business men about buying tickets for the entertainment, they showed me a card on which it said that they would have to pay a fine if they bought a ticket in their place of business, so I was turned down. In one instance I thought that maybe if I went to the merchant's wife I could sell a ticket to her, but when I asked her to buy one, she told me that her husband was going to buy them, so there I was without a sale and on what account? Why simply on account of the rule that the merchants made of not buying tickets at their places of business and wanting the people to buy at home.

A Red Cross Worker.

Police Court

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ner, was fined $5.00 for beng drunk.

Oscar Laigi, of 608 McMahan avenue, a machinist at the Pittsburgh Steel, became overly loaded, and took the liberty of unharnessing a horse in a nearby stable and turning it out into the street. The horse belonged to a man named Piersol. The fine was $5.00.

John Bornda, drunk and disorderly, paid a fine of $3.00 and costs.

Mike Herron, for being drunk and committing a nuisance on the street, paid $5.00 fine.

David Lovejoy, employed by Smallwood Lumber Co., was fined $3.00 for drunkenness and refusing to pay fare.

Dominik Habrick and Wassil Posluchonone were arrested Saturday night at 6 p. m. by a Pittsburgh Steel official for being drunk and fighting. The men were arrested at their boarding house in "Camp" above the Pittsburgh Steel Products plant, found guilty and fined $10.00 each.

Big Labor Day Program at Charleroi

Charleroi today is entertaining the hosts of labor, to celebrate the twentieth aniversary of the eight-hour day. The committees in charge of the various details of the celebration worked with all their energy to present a program that was filled with action every minute of the day. A parade was held this morning, with addresses this afternoon by prominent visitors and games and sports all day at the ball park.

Arrested for Deserting Her Baby

Angeline Prusier, who was arrested by the Charleroi police on a charge of deserting her infant babe was given hearing last evening before Justice of the Peace R. J. Whitehead. After hearing the testimony the woman was held for court and will be taken to the Washington jail to await trial at the next term of criminal court. The police have been on the hunt of the woman for the past two weeks and learned yesterday she was in Charleroi. She was located at the home of a woman friend and her arrest followed.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to use this means to extend our heartfelt and most sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors for many kindnesses extended us during the sad death and funeral of our little daughter, Marcella Mounier. We also wish to thank the Tin Mill rollers and F. O. Eagles who contributed flowers, also tendered the use of their cars. All these kindnesses will ever be kept in most grateful memory by

1tp Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mounier.

Notice

NOTICE

THE BOROUGH OF MONESSEN

IN RE petition of the Borough of Monessen for the appointment of Viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits arising from the laying out, widening, extending and opening of SUMMIT AVENUE from a point where Summit avenue in the Jones Plan of Lots intersects the Eastern line of McMahan's Third Addition Plan to a point on Chestnut street opposite Grant avenue, in the borough of Monessen, including all damages due to the grade at which said highway is to be extended and opened.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, No. 775, August Term, 1917.

SCHEDULE

Showing the damages occasioned by and the cost of said improvement, the names of the several owners of properties abutting thereon, the several awards of damages allowed, and the several assessments of benefits made against said properties.

Assessment of damages apart from special benefits:
John Porter $350.00

Assessment of properties peculiarly benefitted to pay total damages. No assessment of property:

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Luke Lonergan,
George E. Sprague,
J. W. Barnett,
Viewers.

AND NOW, March 4, 1918, the report of Viewers filed in Open Court and upon due consideration thereof, it is ordered that unless exceptions to the report of Viewers be filed within thirty (30) days, that the same be confirmed absolutely without further order, upon filing of proofs of notice by publication according to law.

Per Curiam

Attest:
W. Dick Hunter,
Prothonotary. 40-4tw

NOTICE

THE BOROUGH OF MONESSEN

IN RE petition of the Borough of Monessen for the appointment of Viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits arising from the laying out, widening, extending and opening of McMAHAN AVENUE from its present terminus on Tenth street to Division street, including all damages due to the grade at which said highway is to be extended and opened.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, No. 777, August Term, 1917.

SCHEDULE

Showing the damages occasioned by and the cost of said improvement, the names of the several owners of properties abutting thereon, the several awards of damages allowed, and the several assessments of benefits made against said properties.

Assessment of damages apart from special benefits:
Julia Skurkay $300.00

Assessment of properties peculiarly benefitted to pay total damages. No assessment of property.

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IN RE petition of the Borough of Monessen for the appointment of Viewers to ascertain the costs, damages and expenses, and assess the benefits arising from the laying out, widening, extending and opening of DUNLAP STREET from the intersection of Liberty avenue and Sycamore street to the intersection of Lillian avenue and Pine alley, including all damages due to the grade at which said highway is to be extended and opened.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, No. 778, August Term, 1917.

SCHEDULE

Showing the damages occasioned by and the cost of said improvement, the names of the several owners of properties abutting thereon, the several awards of damages allowed, and the several assessments of benefits made against said properties.

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